

Hangman Creek TMDL  
Intergovernmental Agency Coordination  
DOE-SCCD-CDAT-DEQ-EPA

**February 17, 2005**

**Chair:** Rick Noll, Spokane County Conservation District (SCCD)

**Present:** Walt Edelen, SCCD  
Shallan Dawson, SCCD  
Dee Bailey, CDA Tribe  
Dave Ragsdale, EPA  
Elaine Snouwaert, DOE  
Joe Joy, DOE  
Ed Tulloch, IDEQ  
Don Zaroban, IDEQ  
Mark Shumar, IDEQ  
Mike Spomer, IDEQ

Self-introductions were followed by updates of progress on the various Hangman Creek TMDL processes.

**Ed Tulloch, IDEQ-**

Hangman Creek is on the Idaho 2002 303(d) list, for 500 feet below the confluence with the south fork of Hangman Creek. This portion is upstream of CDA Tribal grounds. It is listed for temperature and bacteria, with sediment as a possible pollutant to be researched during this process. The Beneficial Use Reconnaissance Program (BURP) was used to determine impairments.

The TMDL for Idaho's portion of Hangman Creek not within CDA Tribal boundaries is scheduled to be completed in 2005. Technical Services out of the state office will be conducting the load calculations and preparing the document.

The public process is undergoing legislative revisions at this time, and IDEQ would like to work with existing groups until further notice.

*Ed will send BURP information to Shallan for distribution to the group.*

**Dee Bailey, CDA Tribe-**

The CDA Tribe has been sampling Hangman Creek for seven years from the headwaters to the Stateline. They have 30 established sites collecting temperature, nutrients and discharge measurements. They have not conducted a bank erosion inventory to date. The CDA Tribe is in the process of adopting water quality standards that are more stringent than the State of Idaho, and similar to the State of Washington. They will be using a model to calculate the load for the TMDL and it is not known at this time which model will be used (possibly the GWCF model). The TMDL is scheduled to be complete by the fall of 2006.

The next public meeting for the CDA Tribe Hangman TMDL will be March 9 at 6:00 p.m. at the Tekoa Community Center.

**Rick Noll, SCCD-**

The Conservation District has just completed TMDL sampling on 19 sites within the Hangman Creek watershed. The Conservation District has also been facilitating Water Quality Management Plan meetings the third Thursday of each month to evaluate potential pollution problems and BMPs. They anticipate completing the Detailed Implementation Plan (DIP) done in September of 2006.

Joe Joy will be calculating the load for this portion of the TMDL and will most likely use the SWAT model. He will be using the data collected from the Conservation District, and historical data provided to him.

**Outreach Efforts**

The CDA Tribe and the SCCD have established outreach plan. DEQ would like to use this to coordinate efforts. It was suggested by EPA to arrange a bi-state meeting at some point, and a website coordinator would be helpful.

EPA is in the process of establishing one project lead for the Hangman Creek TMDL. Dave suggested monthly or periodic meetings with this group to stay informed of progress or obstacles.